IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA VALDOSTA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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v. : CASE NO.: 7:24-CR-7 (WLS-TQL)

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JOSHUA THOMPSON,

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Defendant.

ORDER

Before the Court is Defendant Joshua Thompson's Unopposed Motion for Continuance. (Doc. 18). Therein, Defendant asks the Court to continue the case to the next regularly scheduled Valdosta trial term, contending that counsel needs additional time to receive and review discovery; investigate the case; file motions; and prepare defenses.

Based on the Defendant's stated reasons and the fact that the Government does not oppose the Motion, the Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting such a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and Defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A)-(B). Therefore, the Motion (Doc. 18) is **GRANTED**. The trial in the above-captioned matter is hereby **CONTINUED** to the Valdosta Division August 2024 term and its conclusion, or as may be otherwise ordered by the Court. Furthermore, it is **ORDERED** that the time lost under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, be **EXCLUDED** pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7) because the Court has continued the trial in this case and finds that the failure to grant a continuance would likely result in a miscarriage of justice. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

SO ORDERED, this 5th day of April 2024.

/s/ W. Louis Sands W. LOUIS SANDS, SR. JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT